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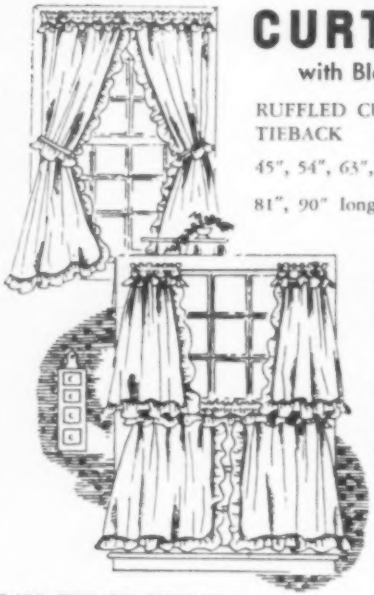

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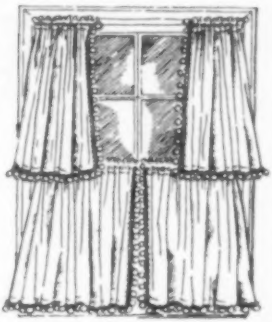

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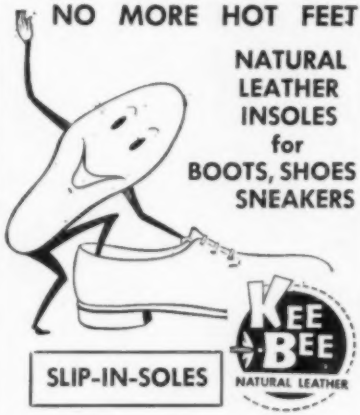

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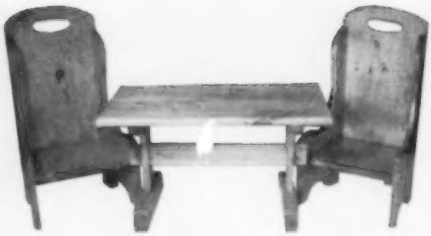

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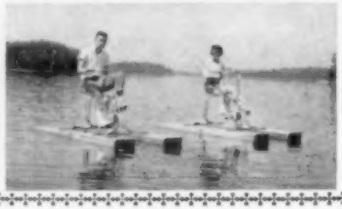

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• THIS YEAR THE EASTERN STATES Exposition, often described as the largest commercial, educational and agricultural fair held in the Eastern United States, will celebrate its 40th anniversary with events that are appropriately big and bright. The fair will be held September 16-24, and to open the program, on Saturday and Sunday, the re-enactment of the first land battle of the Civil War has been scheduled. The first major event in the Civil War Centennial observance scheduled for New England, the re-creation of the Battle of Philippi, West Virginia (at the time, a century ago, Philippi was actually in the state of Virginia) promises to be a true spectacular, complete with cannon, buildings that burn and blow up, charging cavalry, the works.

The battle, correct in every detail and using rifles, cannon, and other weapons of authentic vintage, and uniforms that are precise replicas of those actually worn in the Civil War, will be staged by Living History, Inc., a non-profit, non-commercial historical society devoted to the authentic reproduction of Civil War pageantry. Eighty-two men and twenty horses and mules will be used in the re-enactment, which, because of its faithfulness to the original, should have actual educational value. It is expected that the governors of the six New England states and of New York will attend the "battle," as well as other annual Governors' Day programs.

In addition to the Battle of Philippi, there's plenty to see and do. The Coliseum will welcome a group of entertainment personalities, including Lawrence Welk and this orchestra and troupe, which will offer their champagne music on Sunday afternoon and evening, September 17th, and Monday evening, the 18th. Art Linkletter, long a television favorite, will open the nine-day Coliseum shows on the 16th, at the Saturday Night Governors' Command Performance. Cliff Arquette, Charlie Weaver to most of us, will be on hand on the 20th through the 23rd, as will the Sons of the Pioneers, the male vocal quintet that appears frequently with cowboy star Roy Rogers, Homer Garrett's Y-Knot Twirlers, a western square-dance group, and Dodie Stevens, teen-age singing star. A special thrill for everyone will come from the presence of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police on the same dates (20th through

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There's much more to the Exposition than visiting celebrities. You'll want to visit Old Storrowton Village, where you'll find square dancing on the Green, and a special creative crafts demonstration. Storrowton Village is a faithfully reproduced New England colonial village, impressive with restored buildings and its stately green, where stands an old white church. The church was the one in which Daniel Webster worshipped as a boy in Salisbury, New Hampshire, and it was moved in the 1900's, timber by timber, to its present location in the exposition park. The throngs of visitors who enjoy the thoroughly modern attractions of the Exposition like to ramble through the building, admiring the panelled wainscoting, unpainted pine pews, choir gallery, wineglasss pulpit and belfry clock. During the Exposition, hymn sings are held here daily.

As for the Exposition proper, there are livestock exhibits and contests, various interesting and informative exhibits in the newly renovated Better Living Center (largest one-floor exhibit hall in the East), activities of youth groups such as the 4-H Clubs and Future Farmers of America, horseshoe pitching contests, and a series of concerts by the official United States Army Band. (And don't forget to visit YANKEE's booth in the New Hampshire Building!)

More Fairs

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More Dates

In case you wonder if there's more to September than fairs, here are a few offerings for your consideration . . . On September 2nd, the Massachusetts Beach Buggy Association holds a parade and meeting in Orleans. . . . From the 8th through the 10th, the Massachusetts Audubon Society conducts its annual Cape Cod Campout in Chatham. . . . State Archery Tournament

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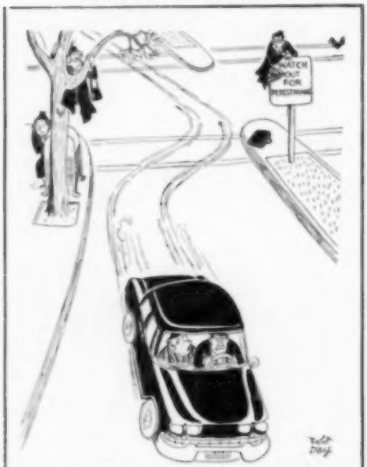

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In Connecticut you can find a horse show in Somers, on the 3rd, in Wilton on the 9th, Avon on the 16th, and again on the 30th and October 1st. . . . Sports Car Races in Thompson on the 3rd and 4th. The 24th Annual New Haven Antiques Show will be held in the New Haven Arena 24-27. . . . Fall Off Soundings races, out of New London, 15-16. . . .

In Rhode Island the state-wide garden club competition results in the "Festival of Flowers" in Newport on the 3rd and 4th. . . . The U. S. Atlantic Tuna Tournament, for its 9th consecutive year conducted in Rhode Island waters, takes place 13-15 (charter boat and fleet based at Galilee) . . . Annual Labor Day Clambake (on the 4th) Moosup Valley. . . . On the 24th a pilgrimage to the Great Swamp Memorial, West Kingston. . . . And on the 30th, 2000 Club Fall Race of Narragansett Bay Yachting Association. . . . The annual Field Day in Smithfield on the 17th—trap, rifle, pistol and turkey shoot, chowder and clamcakes, pony rides, more. . . .

From the 8th-10th there'll be an antique show in Milford, New Hampshire. . . . Community Fair in Lempster on the 9th. . . . Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia, meets New England 8th-10th in a lawn bowling tournament at the Spalding Inn in Whitefield, with a colonial militia muster, drills and ceremonies alongside. . . . The 17th annual Massabesic Regatta on the lake of the same name, Manchester, 16-17, and from 8th-10th there'll be a New Hampshire Family Camporee in White Lake State Park, at Tamworth.

Little Bits

We're happy to see New England included in a folder of Vacation Ideas from Cook's. A six-day trip leaves New York on September 11th, visiting, by bus and boat, Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, Provincetown and Plymouth, with glimpses of Connecticut en route; and a seven-day bus trip manages to take in the Berkshires, Boston, the White Mountains, and the Green Mountains. (*Continued on page 22*)

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Reports from friends who have visited Severance Lodge on Kezar Lake in Centre Lovell, Maine, say that the food—and fellow guests—are as superior as always. . . . Winding Brook Lodge, in Keene, New Hampshire, has been busily adding new units, a swimming pool and a banquet hall. . . . Deer Cove Lodge, Center Ossipee, New Hampshire, will be open until late this month, giving guests a chance to enjoy the new and unusual golf course and the recently built Recreation Building. . . . The Shawmut Inn, Kennebunkport, Maine, has added new rooms, enlarged the diningroom and kitchen, and a breakfast bar for the inevitable later getter-uppers. . . . A hop and a skip from Route 1 on Route 97 in Topsfield, Massachusetts, you'll find Jack Hackett's Lakeside. Highly recommended, the Junior tenderloin, which sounds stingy but is pure man-sized. The menu says flatly "We guarantee the steaks and chops you order will be the best you ever had in your life" and wisely suggests that you don't season your food 'til you've tasted it. Wonderful! . . . Among the several new features added to Santa's Village in Jefferson, New Hampshire, is the entrance building, which has a large white ice-and-snow igloo at either end, appropriately named Ingloo and Outgloo! ●

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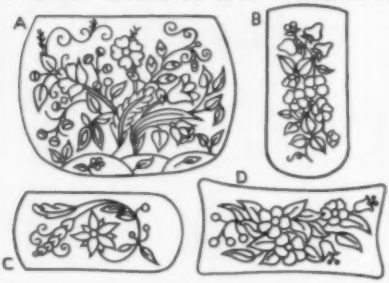

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Sayings of the Oracle

Regarding the new portrait:

A real, full-rigged oracle never depends upon a single bag of tricks. He has rigging and gear for all varieties of weather and circumstances, and we have always been so fitted-out.

Here you see us (above), using something different from the crystal-ball method. An old Yankee saying is: "Straws show which way the wind blows." There's a devil of a lot of meaning in the saying and you may lay to that!

But we find that the fluffy stuff on the duster in our hand takes a whole lot less wind to stir it and speed is important in the doings of an oracle. So we use the duster and you would be astonished by the results we get; plumb astonished! They call this duster a Wooly Wonder, and she is, brethren, she is!

►*N. J.: Dear Oracle:* Who in Sam Hill was Sam Hill? T.M.L.

Answer: Sam Hill was one of those cussed characters of the imagination with which American tradition, especially that of New England, is filled.

Ancient New Englanders were forbidden to cuss under the pains and penalties. So they said "Darn" and "Drat," and when they wanted to say that something was travelling like the devil, they said "Sam Hill" instead of mentioning the name of the evil one.

And then, somewhat later, there arose the "Know-nothing" political party, the members of which were commonly called "Sam." Especially active members were called Sam Hill on occasion, usually by opponents.

►*Ore.: Dear Oracle:* YANKEE has aroused my curiosity. Please tell me something about "Salt-box"—where and why did the term originate, etc. H.P.H.

Answer: It runs in our mind that we have answered this question before, but we are glad to answer it again. However, we warn all and sundry that our explanation does not jibe with the notions of either historians or architects, not that we give a darn, but you ought to know this.

Our first ancestor in our section lived in a house the style of which gave rise to the "salt-box" title, and this is what we have learned from family history.

The original house of the first American settlers (in New England) was nearly square, without ells or projections of any kind. As the individual settler became more prosperous, or had more time, or a bigger family, he added on to his house. The common style of addition was a shed-roofed ell, the highest part of which was just below the eaves of the main structure, and sloping from that point enough to shed water in good shape. It extended the full length of one side of the main house. This addition was called a "salt-box" because it greatly resembled one. The real salt-box, used for keeping salt, was a box with a sloping cover, and a high back, which was hung on the side of the chimney. The sloping cover was to prevent water from getting into the salt. Our notion is that "salt-box" houses, as a descriptive term, is something that has been invented by modern real estate operators, artists or writers. But the salt-box addition, goes back to Sixteen Hundred and Something.

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BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC — *Rip Lynnfield* **32-55**

Publisher's Note: This issue was planned last May along usual lines. It was to have a great variety of material including a brand new feature to begin as an improvement on our "This New England" series, now some 62 issues old. Then, out of the blue, in came a manuscript which, because of its length, we almost didn't read. In line with our policy dedicated to reading everything, however, we did read it. Each page and paragraph became more fascinating as we went along. Rarely, if ever, we realized, had such a well written manuscript reached our office. So . . . here is for you—beginning on the next page.

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Battle Hymn of the Republic

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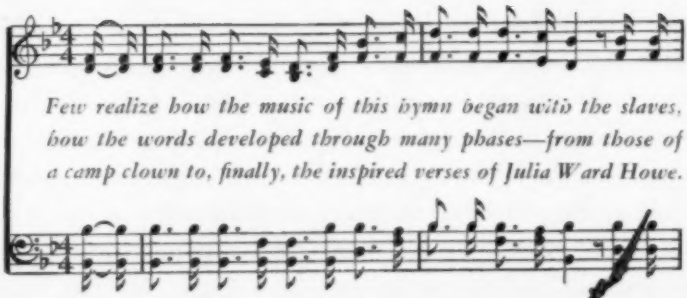


Few realize how the music of this hymn began with the slaves, how the words developed through many phases—from those of a camp clown to, finally, the inspired verses of Julia Ward Howe.

YOU COULD RUN A FINGER DOWN A WALL MAP OF the United States in 1861 and trace three communities sharing a similar name: Charleston, South Carolina; Charlestown, Massachusetts; and Charlestown, Virginia.

Yet more than distance and geographical region separated the three a century ago. One went Confederate, the other Union, and the third became part of the Southern battleground where the quarrel was finally settled.

Despite their fundamental differences, however, the three sites had much in common. All shared an identical English birthright and an identical title: American. And within the framework of a bloody and cruel Civil War, each helped create a new and stronger nation; spliced together with mortar mixed of high sacrifice, the bright red blood of courage, and the strains of an immortal rallying cry—the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

This song is as much a part of our proud American tradition as the bleeding, half-starved "Yankee Doodles" at Valley Forge; the "Star Spangled Banner" of Fort McHenry; and the American doughboys who went "Over There" in 1918. But of all the great songs in our nation's annals—for sheer emotional power, for soul-stirring heart-skip-a-beat patriotism, for electrifying ecstasy—none can ever replace the famed "Battle Hymn."

There were six individuals that helped create this magnificent rallying song; six characters in history as unrelated and diversified as six different planets: a Southern composer, a merry Scot, a diminutive dilettante, a gentle minister, a Yankee editor, and a singing army chaplain.

These were the main characters that figured prominently in the song's drama. There were many others, however; men like John Brown, Governor Andrew, Abe Lincoln, Fletcher Webster, Newton Pernette, C. S. Hall, Robert E. Lee—in short, Joe Doaks; Pvt. G. I. Joe; Mr. American Citizen. And weaving in and out of every stanza, a haunting shadow in the background, supplying the underlying motivation and inspiration for the entire drama; the "Darkie," the American Negro.

This, then, is the story of that timeless song.

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;

Slavery was an institution of mankind long before the American Civil War tested its legitimacy. The first African slaves were the Nubians who poured into the Colosseum as fodder for the Roman Games. In later centuries, the Arabs followed the Romans to Africa; then came the Europeans; and finally the enterprising Yankee sea captains.

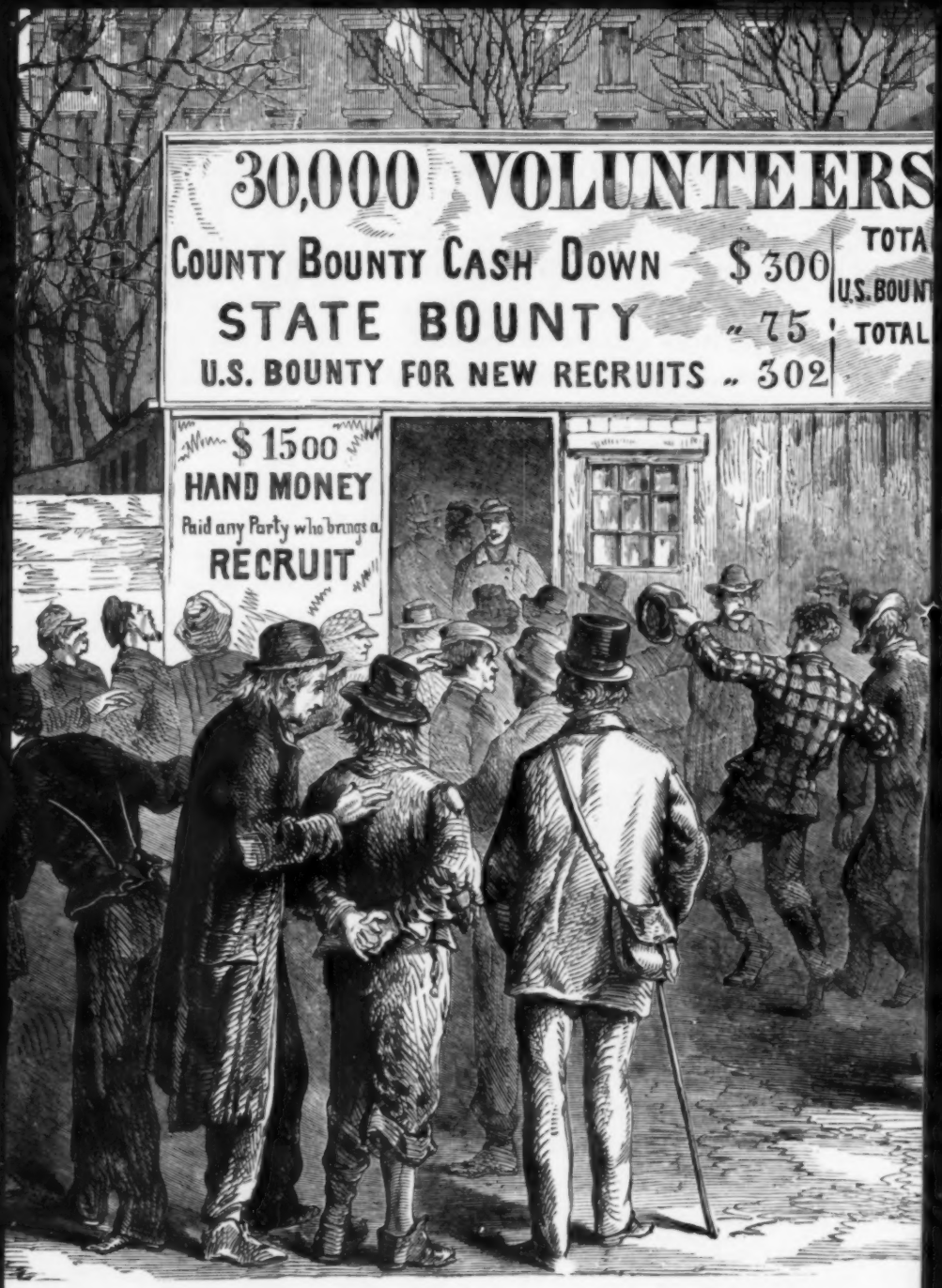
It was the New England merchant who conceived and perfected the highly profitable "triangular trade" which bought the fancy and spacious mansions in Salem and Marblehead—sugar for rum, rum for slaves.

Across the Atlantic they journeyed, jammed forecastle to mainsail, packed like so many cod in a barrel, human cargo for the auction blocks of New Orleans, Memphis, Charleston. And inside those tight little ships; poorly ventilated, stinking, rotten; the black man sang to keep his spirits alive; to relive those days when a man could hunt and run free on the veldt.

The negro sang to many rituals back in Africa, tunes sung in cadence to primeval dance steps. There was one called "The Wedding Tune," young maidens dancing solemnly within a loose circle as the warriors chanted and swayed rhythmically to the primitive beat.

Once relocated in America, the black man continued to sing; on plantations down in Georgia, on flatboats up the Mississippi, in the cotton fields of Virginia. And as he absorbed the new religion, he began to sing the gospel to the tunes of old tribal melodies in the white man's colored churches. Negro spirituals have a charm all their own, and it wasn't long before the white man began to borrow them as the basis of his own hymns.

There was a popular Sunday-school composer in Charleston, South Carolina around the late 1850's named William Steffe. Steffe overheard a negro congregation singing "The Wedding Tune" one day and used or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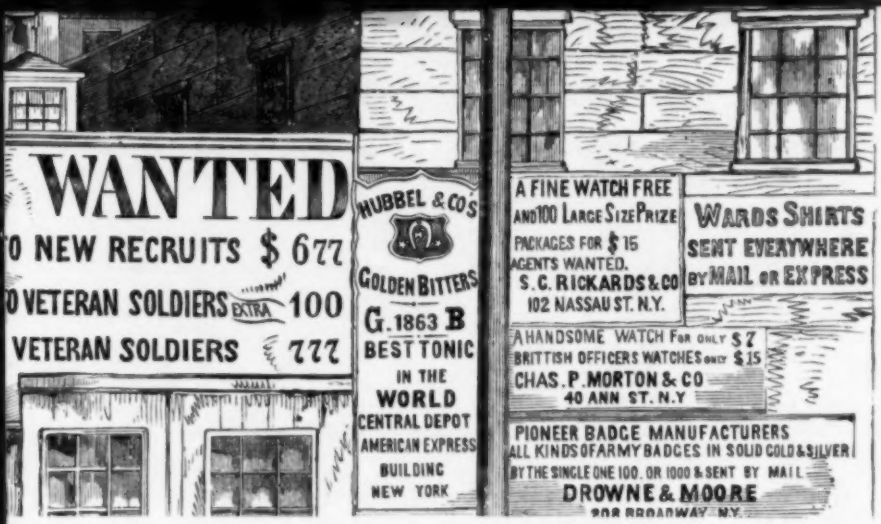


borrowed the tune for a new hymn, "Say, Brothers, Will You Meet Us?":

Say, brothers, will you meet us?
Say, brothers, will you meet us?
Say, brothers, will you meet us?
On Canaan's happy shore?

The year was 1856 and the country had already started its inevitable drift toward Civil War. The tune began to circulate in Methodist hymnals but it remained for an Ohioan, a Mr. Thane Miller of Cincinnati, to bring it north of the Mason-Dixon line. Miller heard it on a trip to Charleston and was so impressed by the song's simple beauty that he later wrote words of his own to the music. At a YMCA convention in Albany, N. Y. during the winter of 1859 (about the time John Brown was hanged at Charlestown, Virginia), Thane led the delegates in the singing of his new hymn. From Albany, the young Christians carried the tune to all points of the compass.

He hath loosed the fateful lightning
of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on.

In April, 1861, the terrible swift sword of war descended on the land and tore North and South asunder. With the firing on Fort Sumter, war became a reality. Later that month, at Baltimore, Maryland, where unarmed Massachusetts troops were fired on by an enraged street mob; death in battle also became a reality.

Angry Massachusetts men, followed by patriots in other Northern states, rushed to defend the Union. In Boston, regiments of volunteers were filled within hours. One of the first groups to answer President Lincoln's call for 75,000 three month volunteers was the Second Massachusetts Infantry—nicknamed the "Tiger" Battalion. Four companies strong, the Tigers landed at historic Fort Warren on George's Island in Boston Harbor on April 29, 1861.

Somehow Fort Warren has escaped the limelight of history, lost in the glamour of more publicized Civil War battlements. At least a thousand captured Southern soldiers were imprisoned in the fort during the war, however, and other Confederate notables such as Ambassadors Mason and Slidell; Alexander Stephens, Vice President of the Confederacy; and George Proctor Kane, the chief of police who was blamed as an instigator of the aforementioned Baltimore riots. Kane later became the Mayor of Baltimore.

But the real unsung heroes were the hundreds of Massachusetts troops, who, after training at Fort Warren left the fort never to return; a tiny marker on some distant Southern hillside.

When the Tiger Battalion arrived at the fort, it was assigned the job of "policing the area," for huge piles of dirt covered the parade ground. Most men sing when they labor and soldiers are no exception. As the sound of pick and shovel echoed within the fortress's walls, song after song burst forth from the men.

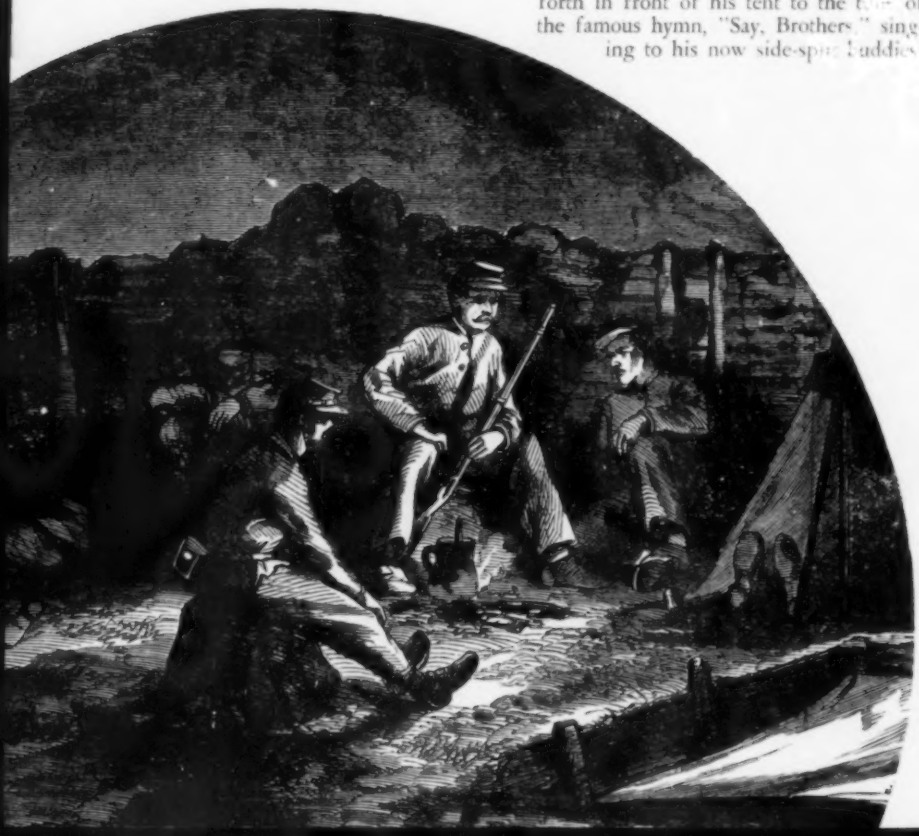
Many of the tunes were religious hymns for this was a troubled era. The most popular hymn, strangely enough, turned out to be "Say, Brothers, Will You Meet Us?" One wonders what old Bill Steffe might have muttered had he known that his song had now become a Yankee tune.

At the end of their innumerable drills, the soldiers would break up into smaller groups around the campfire. One of these quartets was composed of four singing sergeants: J. H. Jenkins, Charlie Edgerly, Newton Pernette, and a comical Scot by the name of John Brown.

It is odd that history remembers John Brown, the abolitionist, and his captor, Colonel Robert E. Lee. But of John Brown, the elusive Scot, we are confronted with only a footnote. Yet, without this man, we would not have had the "Battle Hymn."

For it was he and not the fanatical abolitionist who was directly responsible for the Union Army's famed marching song.

Sergeant John Brown was already a seasoned battle veteran, having served in the regular army during the Mexican War. And in the interval between wars, he seems to have acquired a decided sense of humour. One of his favorite stunts was to stuff his kit full of general issue equipment. Next, he would strap this conglomeration upon his back, striking a natural quizzical expression such as "What next?" This was always good for a laugh. To cap it, Brown would stomp back and forth in front of his tent to the tune of the famous hymn, "Say, Brothers," singing to his now side-splitting buddies:



"Oh, John Brown's knapsack is strapped upon his back!"

With such natural material to make light of, it wasn't long before Brown became the butt of many a witty joke from his sidekicks.

They kidded him unmercifully. "Say, John Brown," they would grin slyly, "you better report on time if you plan to free the slaves." Or, "John, that cannot be you, for old buddy, your body's a-moulderin' in the grave."

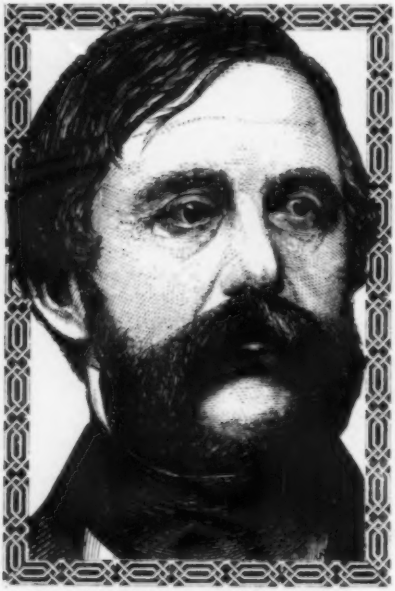
The three other singing sergeants naturally kidded Brown the most. Soon the four members of the Boston Light Infantry Quartet had improvised a song about jolly Brown to the tune of William Steffe's old camp meeting hymn:

John Brown's body lies a-mouldering in the grave,
John Brown's body lies a-mouldering in the grave,
John Brown's body lies a-mouldering in the grave,
His soul is marching on!

Overnight it spread throughout Fort Warren and soon became the most popular ditty sung by the troops. From Fort Warren, the soldiers spread the song throughout Boston and it was eventually published by the press. One night, the organist of the Old Harvard Church in Charlestown, Massachusetts—Mr. James E. Greenleaf—was perusing the evening edition of his newspaper when a familiar item caught his eye, the "John Brown Song" of the Tiger Battalion.

"Why, I know that tune," Greenleaf mused. Later, at the church, he found the original music to the old hymn. He showed it to Charles Sprague Hall who quickly wrote the four ensuing verses of the song. Hall published the music in Charlestown in May, 1861.

Another Massachusetts volunteer group arrived at Fort Warren about this time (May 1st)—the Twelfth Massachusetts



Col. Fletcher Webster, son of Daniel Webster, commanded the 12th Massachusetts Regiment.

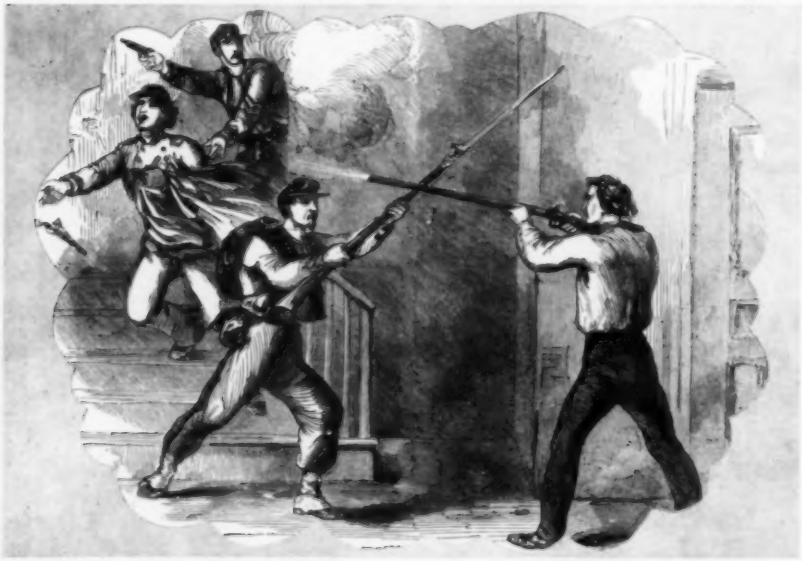
Regiment commanded by Fletcher Webster, son of New England's pride and joy, old Dan'l Webster.

Colonel Webster had personally raised his regiment and if there ever was a historic American fighting outfit, predestined for glory, this was it. Before the war was over, the regiment would leave 270 of its men scattered on such battlefields as Cedar Mountain, Manassas, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, the Wilderness and Petersburg. But the cost of freedom comes high.

The Twelfth Massachusetts also liked John Brown's song and company after company began to adopt it. Each Sunday the Brigade Band journeyed over to Fort Warren to entertain the troops. As was the prevalent custom, relatives of the soldiers also visited on weekends to hear the band play and steal a proud glimpse at the boys in their brand new uniforms.

Someone slipped Mr. Gilmore, the band leader, a copy of the new regimental song. That Sunday, as the Twelfth Regiment and the Tiger Battalion passed in

Col. E. E. Ellsworth is shot by an irate innkeeper in Alexandria, Va. (See text, p. 42)



"The March Down Broadway," April 19, 1861. (A reproduction of the life-size, full-color oil painting by Thomas Nast which hangs in the Seventh Regiment Armory, N. Y. C.)

review before parents and friends, the band struck up the cadence to the old camp-meeting tune. The result was electrifying and from then on, the song became the Twelfth's marching song—the first Union regiment to march to it.

The war was coming nearer each day and soon the men at Fort Warren would be a part of it. But now came a real shocker. The original Tiger Battalion had been turned down by the United States government for active service on a technicality—only organizations of ten companies or more could be accepted for the front. The Second Battalion was short by six companies, however.

Oh, how that crusty old battle-scarred Scot must have fumed. The dejected Tigers disbanded on May 25, 1861 and returned to Boston. But many of the men re-enlisted in the "Webster" Regiment. Among them were two sergeants; Newton Pernette and our familiar character, John Brown, who had a certain hankerin' "to be a soldier in the army of the Lord!"

And on July 18, 1861 came the word they were all waiting for—orders for the front. The Webster Regiment hastily disembarked to Boston. As the men marched through the city that day—proud, erect, the Union's finest (they believed) off to the three months' war—they turned up old State Street. The band burst into "John Brown's Body" and every man in the regiment sang as one:

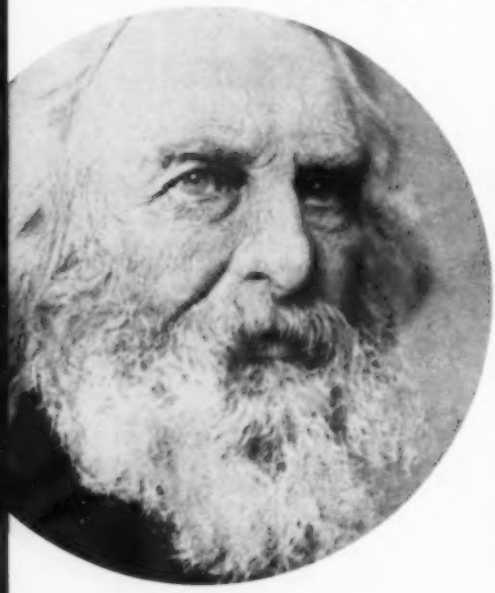
We will hang Jeff Davis to a sour
apple tree!
We will hang Jeff Davis to a sour
apple tree!
We will hang Jeff Davis to a sour
apple tree!
As we march along!

The crowd went wild. Touched and tear-stricken they joined in the chorus. These were their boys going to the front:

Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!

RALPH WALDO EMERSON

HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW



The Twelfth was soon on its way to Washington. On July 24, 1861, in New York City, they tramped down Broadway and again a thousand deep voices burst out in unison. Unlike Boston, New York was hearing the hymn for the first time and the blasé big towners went berserk:

Now, three rousing cheers for the Union!
Now, three rousing cheers for the Union!
Now, three rousing cheers for the Union!
As we are marching on!

Wherever the Twelfth went, they won new converts to the song: hospital workers, war amputees, runaway slaves—all regained a strong faith and courage when they heard the stirring hymn. And about this same time, some officials approached the men of the Webster regiment and begged them to change the title and words to "Ellsworth," in honor of one of the first Union heroes of the Civil War, who died on May 24, 1861.

Colonel E. E. Ellsworth was the colorful leader of the Fire Zouaves—a regiment composed of New York firemen. In their jaunty, Foreign Legion-like uniforms, the Zouaves cut quite a fine figure. But there was nothing jaunty about the way Colonel Ellsworth had gone to his Maker; Ellsworth had been blown apart at point blank range by a double-barreled shotgun. His assassin was an irate innkeeper who was highly chagrined when he caught the colonel hauling down his beloved Confederate flag at Alexandria, Virginia.

Although far from being a "heroic" death (most historians consider Ellsworth acted like a rash fool), the Northern press seized upon the event as an outrage to a national hero. The men of the Twelfth Massachusetts took a more skeptical viewpoint, however. "John Brown's Song" it had been created and "John Brown's Song" it would remain. That was that. Many others would try unsuccessfully to change the wording of the hymn before a

poet would finally hit upon the magic combination. But that was still some months away.

I have seen Him in the watch-fires
of a hundred circling camps;
They have builded Him an altar
in the evening dews and damps;

She was called a dreamer by some; a dilettante by others. Bred of rich gentility, she worked long and hard all her life on behalf of those less fortunate. But this woman was no idle dreamer; her visions led to greatness. Her name was Julia Ward.

In 1843, she married Dr. Samuel Gridley Howe, of the famed Perkins Institute for the Blind. It is another ironic twist in the history of the "Battle Hymn" that it was young Charles Sumner, future United States Senator from Massachusetts, who arranged for Julia to meet Howe.

Julia Ward Howe was an active contributor to *The Atlantic Monthly* during this period. She had been an accomplished writer since the early days of her youth and had even written a few unsuccessful plays.

But Julia still believed fervently that someday she would gain some small triumph of fame. Her wish was soon to be granted.

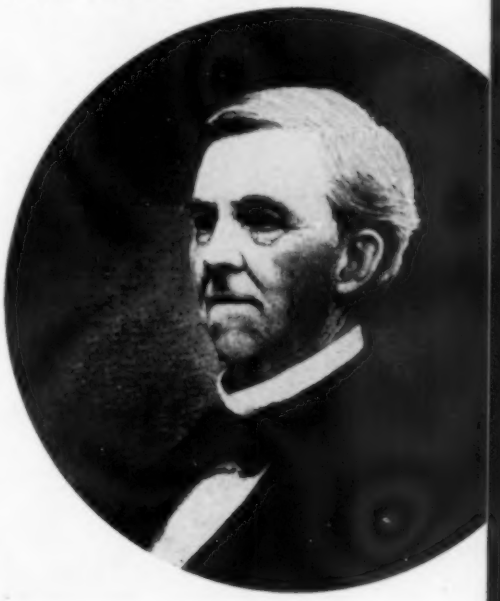
Boston was a hotbed of abolition in the late 1850's and Julia was right in the eye of the storm. Dr. Howe, who had fought as a guerilla in the Greek War of Independence, was a confirmed believer in the cause of freedom. He became the editor of *The Commonwealth,* an anti-slavery periodical and his young, charming, black-haired wife contributed her abilities as co-editor.

The Howe's home in Boston, called "Green Peace," was a lightning rod for the city's leading intellectuals and soon the great writers of America's "Golden Years" — Longfellow, Holmes, Lowell, Whittier, Emerson, Whipple—were beating a path to her door, charmed by Mrs. Howe's genial hospitality.

Perhaps it was the influence of their combined genius that inspired Julia to

JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER

OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES



sharpen her latent writing talents. Whatever the reason, Julia's poems were published with greater frequency. And like a literary Queen Bee, she drew the leading authors of her day to the parlor of Green Peace—Horace Mann, Charles Dickens, and Carl Schurz.

The Howe's home served also as a green haven for America's leading abolitionists and it wasn't long before Julia met another man of destiny, "A middle-aged, middle-sized man, with hair and beard of amber color streaked with gray . . ."

This was the other John Brown, the righteous fanatic of Kansas and Harper's Ferry. Mrs. Howe conducted Brown on a brief tour of her garden but found the old man uncommunicative. However, his stern demeanor stirred her deeply: "He looked like a Puritan of the Puritans, forceful, concentrated, self-contained." Little did Julia realize it then but Northern Armies would soon be marching to a song that memorialized this "Puritan of the Puritans," although it's real namesake remained anonymous.

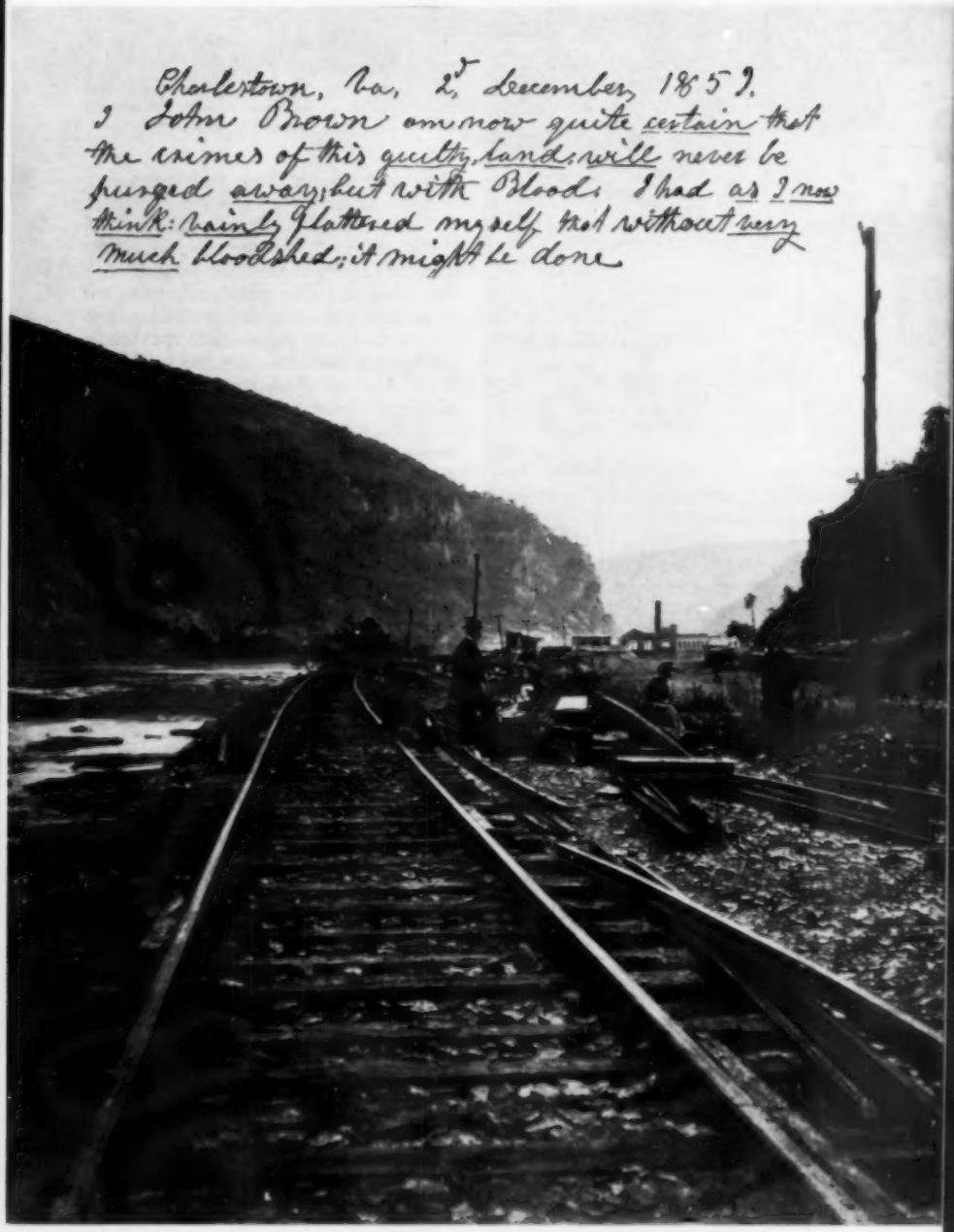
And when John Brown died a martyr's death at the end of a hangman's noose on Black Friday, December 2, 1859, after his unsuccessful raid on Harper's Ferry, still another strong link had parted in the bond between North and South.

* * *

I have read His righteous sentence
by the dim and flaring lamps;
His day is marching on . . .

November is a bleak month. It is a time of year when the air hangs heavy under leaden skies and the earth seems suspended for a moment, waiting patiently for the seasons to change. That grim fall of 1861, the nation also waited expectantly for it knew quite well that soon the full flood of war must break.

Left: John Brown. Right is Harper's Ferry, W. Va., in April, 1861. (The note is in John Brown's hand.) Standing at far right is the Civil War photographer, Mathew Brady.


Charlestown, Va, 2d December, 1859.
I John Brown am now quite certain that the crimes of this guilty land; will never be purged away; but with Blood. I had as I now think: vainly flattered myself that without very much bloodshed; it might be done

Opposite page, top: Union soldiers outside Washington—Ft. Slemmer, 1861.

An army hospital in Washington, typical of those visited by Julia Ward Howe.

Union morale was greatly shaken after the defeats at Bull Run and Wilson's Creek. Washington's streets were filled with a curious mixture of humanity: gay militiamen, veterans with shattered minds and bodies, prostitutes and suiters eyeing the usual fast buck, droves of female government clerks, and the ever present wagons marked "U. S. Hearse" which rumbled through the night like the dread Four Horsemen.

That same month, a party of four journeyed to Washington. The group included the new Governor of Massachusetts, John Andrew, a former Boston lawyer who had masterminded John Brown's futile defense after his capture at Harper's Ferry. Also in the party were Mrs. Howe; her pastor, Reverend James Freeman Clarke; and the indefatigable Dr. Howe, who was in the capitol to conduct a medical survey of the army department.

This was Julia's first visit to Washington and she was fascinated by the sights and sounds that soon confronted her. In her memoirs, *Reminiscences*, she later set down these impressions: "As we approached the city, I saw from time to time small groups of armed men seated on the ground near a fire. Dr. Howe explained to me that these were the pickets detailed to guard the railroad . . ."

The group was soon ensconced in Willard's Hotel. From her window, Julia watched cavalry officers galloping through the streets and "the ghastly advertisement of an agency for embalming and forwarding the bodies of those who had fallen in the fight or who had perished by fever."

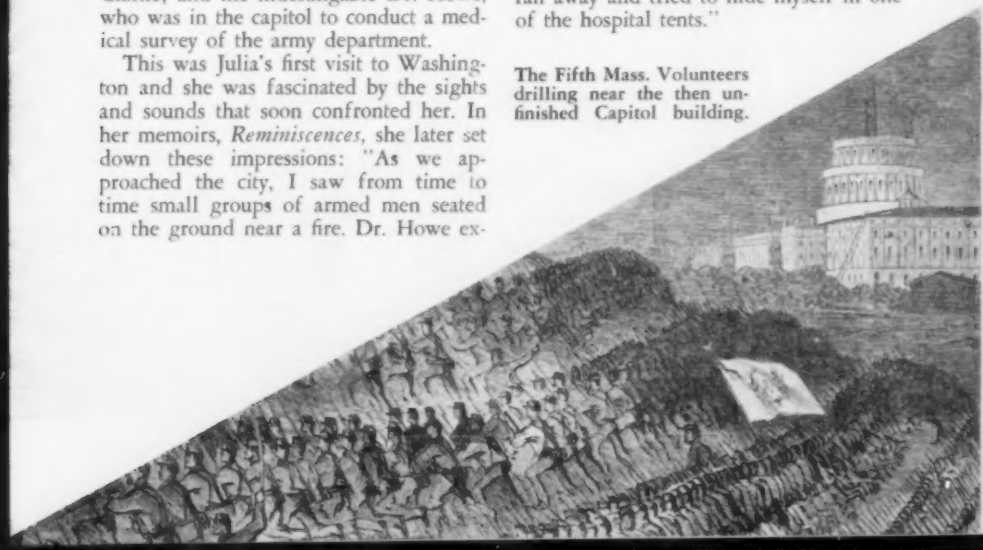
On Sundays, Julia Howe went to hear William Henry Channing whose "voice rang out, clear and musical as a bell, within the walls of the Unitarian Church." And in Channing's and Reverend Clarke's company, she soon began to visit the army camps and Sanitary Commission hospitals.

"It was on the occasion of one of these visits," Mrs. Howe remembered, "that I made my very first attempt at public speaking. I had joined the rest of my party on a reconnoitering expedition, the last stage of which was the headquarters of Colonel William B. Greene, of the First Massachusetts Heavy Artillery."

Colonel Greene warmly received the party and asked hopefully, "Mrs. Howe, you must speak to my men."

Julia was scared stiff by the request. "I ran away and tried to hide myself in one of the hospital tents."

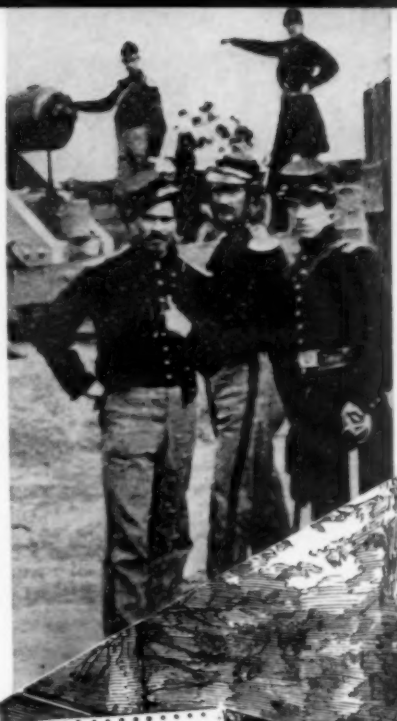
The Fifth Mass. Volunteers drilling near the then unfinished Capitol building.

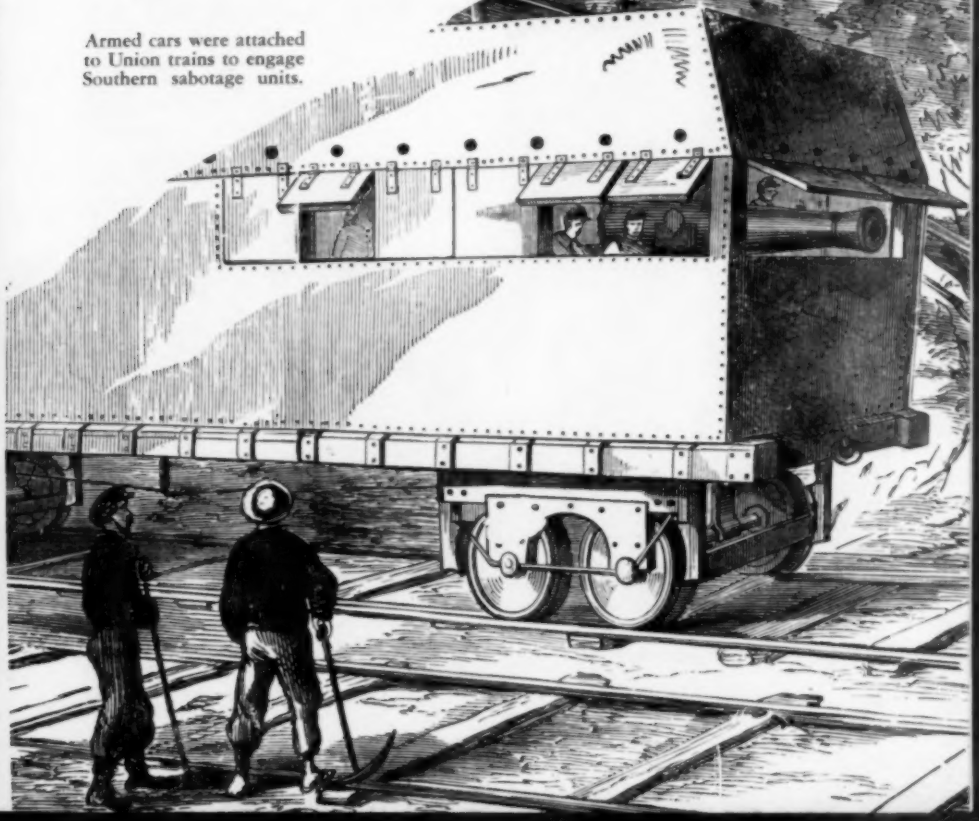


Greene was persistent. Twice he went to find her. Finally, on the second attempt, he was more successful. Julia somehow mustered enough courage and "told as well as I could how glad I was to meet the brave defenders of our cause, and how constantly they were in my thoughts."

Julia Howe made still another visit which was to have a profound effect on her life. She, Reverend Clarke, and Governor Andrew paid a call on the White House and soon were ushered into the presidential drawing room. There, the ex-rail-splitter sat, beneath Stuart's famed portrait of Washington.

"The President was laboring at this time under a terrible pressure of doubt and anxiety," Julia observed. "I remember well the sad expression of Mr. Lincoln's deep blue eyes, the only feature of his face which could be called other than plain." Of what they talked about, Julia couldn't remember. Only a speech frag-





Armed cars were attached to Union trains to engage Southern sabotage units.

ment remained in her memory of Lincoln's conversation and that probably because of its ungrammatical inconsistency:

"I once heerd George Sumner tell a story . . ." Lincoln undoubtedly was reciting one of his many droll stories, jokes which drove his bitter, sanctimonious enemies to distraction.

Reverend Clarke was a little disturbed to find so humble a man with so much awesome power. He shrewdly commented on this feeling, one that the jittery nation shared:

"We have seen it in his face; hopeless honesty; that is all . . ."

I have read a fiery gospel, writ in burnished rows of steel;
"As ye deal with My contemners, so with you My grace shall deal;

On November 18, 1861, one hundred years ago, Mrs. Howe and her party packed a lunch hamper full of snacks. In a borrowed coach they set off for Virginia to watch a review of Union troops scheduled for that day.

"The main body of the enemy's troops was then stationed in the near neighborhood of Washington, and the capture of the national capitol would have been of great strategic advantage, to their cause," Julia remembered. "In order to render this impossible, the great Army of the Potomac was encamped around the city with General McClellan in command."

But the grand review was unavoidably detained. A group of Southern skirmishers fell upon some pickets and Union cavalrymen were soon charging to their rescue. The grand review was quickly forgotten as carriage after carriage wheeled around and headed back pell-mell to Washington. Soon, their speed was slowed to a near halt as Union troops were ordered to advance along this same route.

To sooth their jangled nerves and rally the advancing soldiers, Julia's party began to sing popular army tunes. Gifted with a clear, mezzo-soprano voice, she soon had the soldiers doffing their hats to her as they marched resolutely past the carriage.

"Good for you, Ma'am," they cried and joined in the chorus to the "John Brown Song."

Glory, glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, glory, Hallelujah!
His soul is marching on.

The Reverend Clarke was deeply moved. Bending forward to catch her eye, he whispered gently, "Mrs. Howe, why don't you write some good words for that stirring tune?" Julia protested. It was too difficult a task.

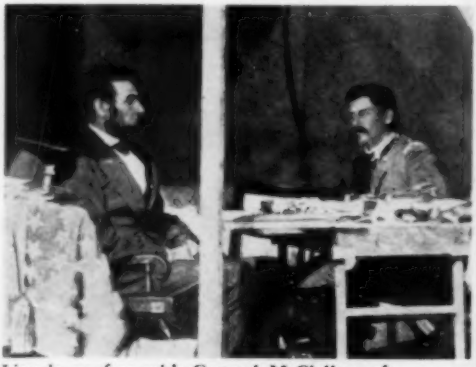
"I've tried before but the words just won't come."

"You must try again, Julia," the pastor insisted, "you should write words worthy of it and worthy of this occasion. You can do it. You must begin once more."

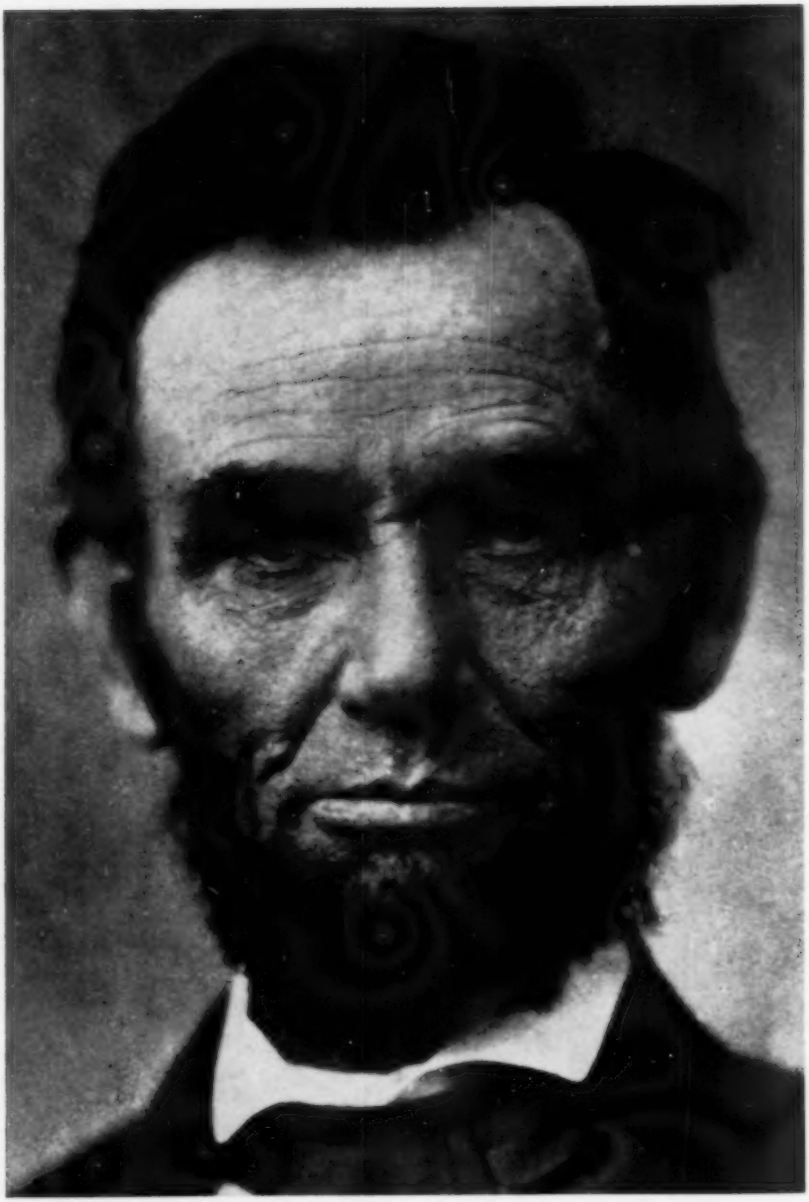
Julia was doubtful. "I'll try. I'll try."

It was a somewhat gloomy picnic party that finally reached Washington that day. The harsh reality of war had once more intruded on their thoughts. Julia—the dreamer—had quite a lot to ponder.

"I distinctly remember that a feeling of discouragement came over me as I drew near the city of Washington . . . I thought of the women of my acquaintance



Lincoln confers with General McClellan, of the Army of the Potomac. This photo was taken just after the Battle of Antietam, 1862.



"I once heerd George Sumner tell a story . . ."

"There is no doubt but that the spirit of God was in her that night..."

whose sons or husbands were fighting our great battle; the women themselves serving in the hospitals, or busying themselves with the work of the Sanitary Commission . . ."

Let the Hero born of woman, crush
the serpent with His heel,
Since God is marching on.

It was a deeply troubled and saddened Julia Ward Howe that went to sleep that night in the Willard Hotel to the sound of soldiers marching outside her window. She awakened in the gray morning twilight and "lay waiting for the dawn." Visions haunted her—the sad face of a heartsick United States president; a gaudy embalmer's sign; troops singing lustily on their way to certain death.

"Something seemed to say to me, 'You would be glad to serve, but you cannot help anyone (an allusion to her lack of medical training and her family responsibilities); You have nothing to give, and there is nothing for you to do'."

What could she do, what could she do? The only thing she was half-good at was writing but she had never been much of a success even at that. Yet, what was it that Reverend Clarke had said to her? "Mrs. Howe, why don't you write some good words for that stirring tune?" That was it. She must try to write words to that song!

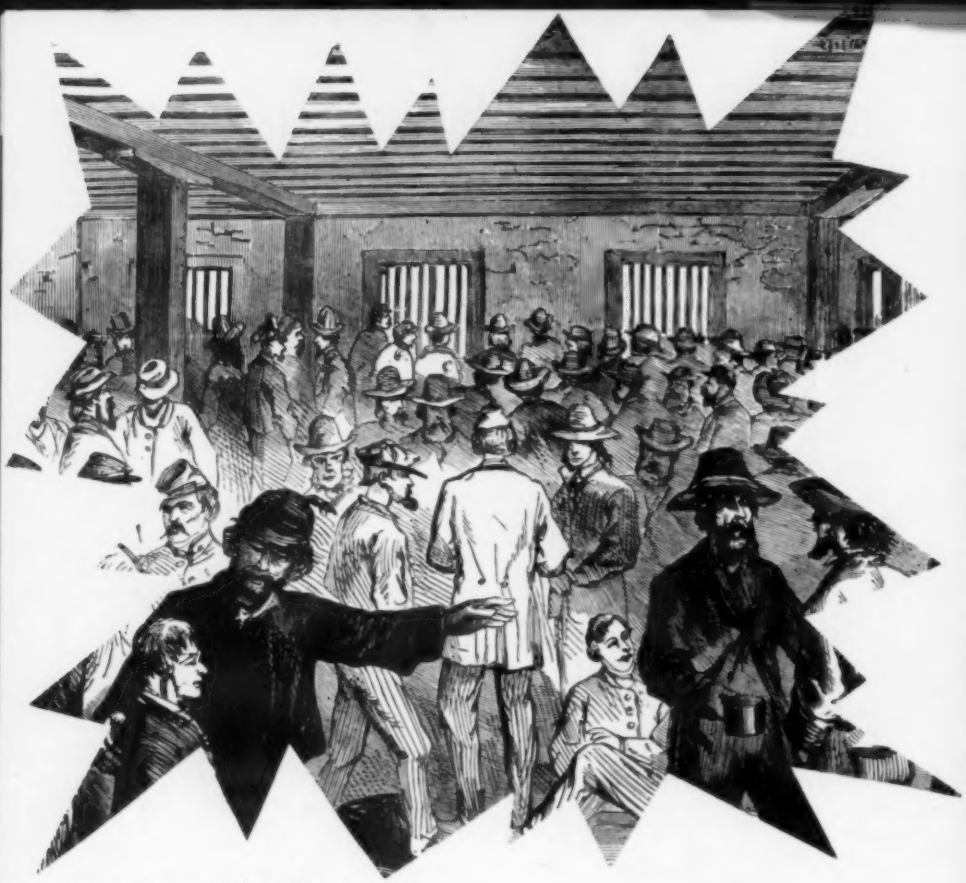
There is no doubt but that the spirit of God was in her that night. Slowly, the words began to form in her mind. A deeply religious person, she remembered famed passages from the Bible and these somehow mingled with the young faces she had observed around the fires of those "hundred circling camps."

She was obsessed with a compulsion to put these words on paper before they eluded her. Fumbling around in the darkness, she finally found "an old stump of a pen" and stationery bearing the letterhead of her husband's organization: "Sanitary Commission, Washington, D. C."

Julia began to write. The lines flowed without hesitation; all five verses of that now famous poem. "I scrawled the verses almost without looking at the paper." The darkness wasn't a handicap. "I had learned to do this, when, on previous occasions, attacks of versification had visited me in the night, and I feared to have recourse to a light lest I should wake the baby (two years old at the time), who slept near me . . . Because of my sincere desire, a word was given to me to say, which did strengthen the hearts of those who fought in the field and of those who languished in prison."

Upon the completion of her poem that night, Julia crossed out only four words and one stanza—the last one—because it didn't quite fit in with the rest. "At this time, having completed my writing, I re-

Left, top: Julia Ward Howe, as she appeared in later years. Right: James T. Fields, *Atlantic Monthly* editor. (See text next page.)



They sang it in Libby Prison after the victory at Gettysburg . . .

turned to bed and fell asleep, saying to myself, I like this better than most things I have written . . ."

A few days afterward, Julia mustered enough courage to read the poem to the person who originally suggested it's creation, Reverend James Freeman Clarke. The Reverend was delighted with the lines. "I told you you could do it," he remarked happily to Julia.

When Mrs. Howe returned to Boston that fall, she re-examined her manuscript once again. A few words still bothered her. In the first stanza, she substituted "vintage" for "wine press." She thoughtfully scowled over, "He has waked the earth's dull sorrow with a high ecstatic beat." Not quite right. Better:

He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment-seat;

Finally there was "With a glory in his bosom that shines out on you and me." Julia changed this to read:

With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me:

At last she was ready for the acid test. Julia took her edited poem to James T. Fields, editor of *The Atlantic Monthly*. And here was still another obscure notable who made his contribution to the history of this famous song.

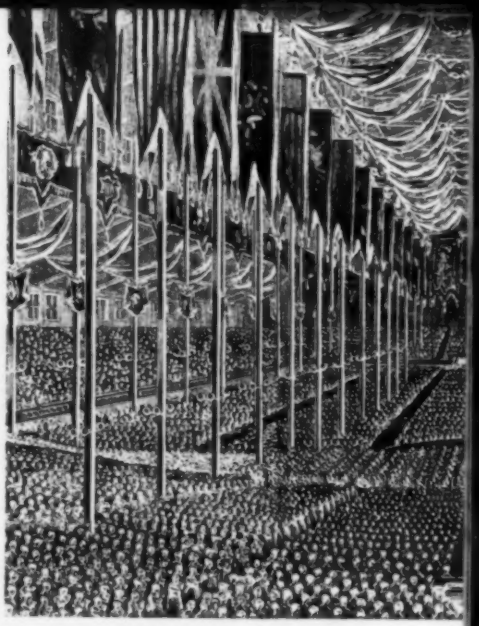
One wonders today what would have happened to Mrs. Howe's poem and even

. . . and in the Congress of the United States, February 2, 1864.

what the fate of the song might have been if Fields had turned it down.

Fortunately, Fields didn't. Early in his youth he had demonstrated a genius for the publishing business. As a clerk in a Boston publishing company, he could predict in advance the very book a prospective customer would ask for.

Whatever the reason, this sixth sense provided him with a lively income when he later founded his own publishing company. His business associate, the noted E. P. Whipple, provides this sketch of him: "Fields from the start had deliberately formed in his mind an ideal of a publisher who might profit by men of letters, and at the same time make men of letters profit by him . . ."



Below: Lincoln's funeral in Springfield, Ill. In a moving tribute, Chaplain McCabe sang the "Battle Hymn" on this occasion.

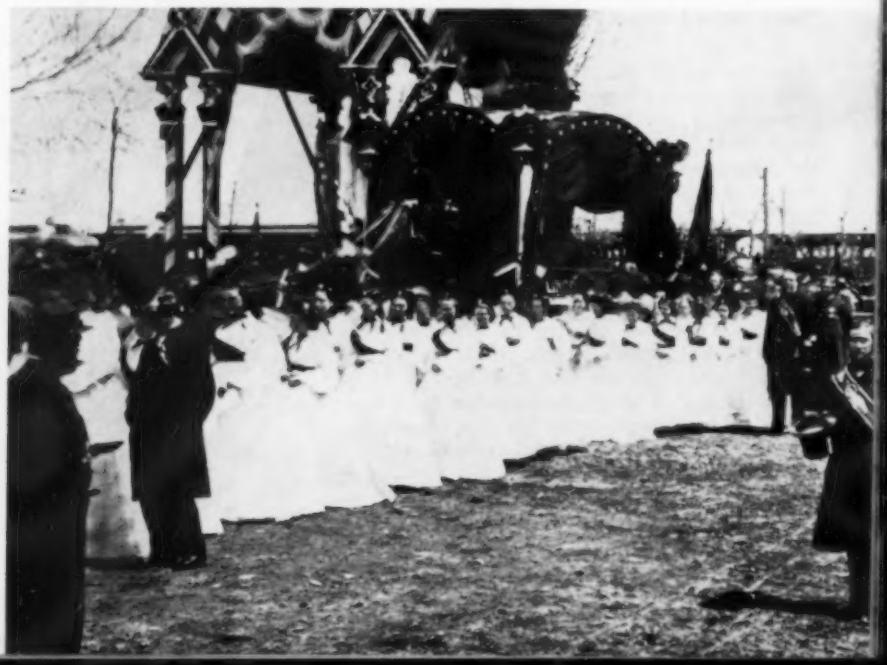
James T. Fields became the publisher of New England's most outstanding authors of the late 1800's, "that circle which compelled the world to acknowledge that there was an American literature." When he accepted Julia Ward Howe's manuscript for *The Atlantic Monthly*, he brought belated recognition to a certain young New Englander who had previously been considered only a literary dilettante.

"Mrs. Howe," said Fields, "I like your poem. But it needs a proper title. Ummmmm. Let's see. How about this? The 'Battle Hymn of the Republic'?"

Julia liked it; Fields accepted the poem; and Mrs. Howe received a check for $4.00 from *The Atlantic Monthly*.

He hath sounded forth the trumpet
that shall never call retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men
before His judgment seat.

When the "Battle Hymn" first appeared in the February 1862 issue of *The Atlantic Monthly*, it drew lukewarm applause. Like so many other fine war poems that were a dime a dozen in those days, it seemed destined for obscurity. Some literary critics even claimed that Mrs. Howe mixed metaphors in the second and third lines of the first stanza. They gently pointed out that here she



At the International Music Festival, left, held in the Boston Coliseum in 1872, the "Battle Hymn" was sung by 17,282 voices!

confused the concept of a wine presser with that of a warrior.

And what was the reaction to the poem by the men of the Twelfth Massachusetts? Most assuredly they must have resented still another writer meddling with their famous "John Brown Song." But at the moment, the Twelfth was busily engaged in other matters, deploying to meet the Rebs at Cedar Mountain.

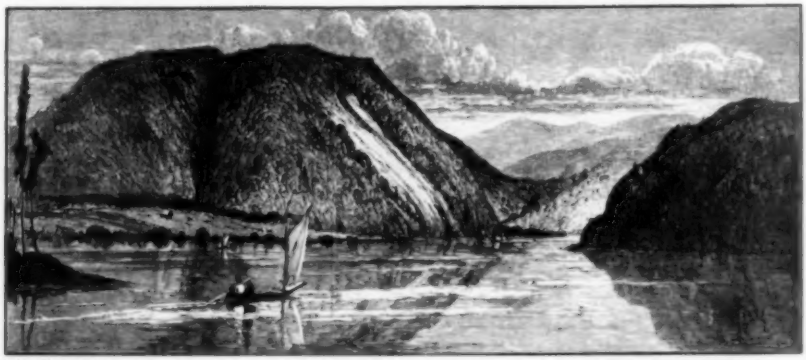
Ironically, one of its members never saw Civil War action. On June 6, 1862, a canny, battle-scarred old Scot drowned by accident in the Shenandoah River. Sergeant John Brown was now truly "a soldier in the army of the Lord." Less than three months later, the regiment received it's second blow. On August 30, 1862, their beloved commander, Colonel Fletcher Webster, fell mortally wounded at the Battle of Second Manassas. From then on, the Twelfth abandoned singing their regimental song. Perhaps the hot-blooded young men who were now battle-hardened veterans had had their fill of glory.

But there were many other soldiers who were greatly impressed by Mrs. Howe's poem. In the camp of the 122nd Ohio Volunteer Infantry, an army chaplain by the name of Charles Cardwell McCabe read the "Battle Hymn" and was so moved he memorized it on the spot. Later, as he (*Continued on page 80*)

Last summer, the publisher of this magazine made a quick trip to Lubec, Maine. En route through Hancock he was invited to the home of a retired minister and, after a delicious repast, taken to the parlor. There, with a perfectly straight face, the minister produced a round ball about the size of a softball—made of spruce tree needles. These, he said, are found in Maine lakes. We dismissed the whole thing as a spoof—and, indeed, one unworthy of a man so highly regarded. Nevertheless, the author of the following article, Gordon Greenwood Sampson, is not a spoofer! This we guarantee. Therefore we feel we owe an apology to our minister friend. However, we have taken the liberty of placing one of these balls in Hiram Lake (Maine) in slightly enlarged size (see left)—and let that be a warning to future spoofers!

• ONCE MORE THE STATE OF MAINE has come up with an oddity of nature that has attracted the interest of naturalists and excited scientists throughout the United States,—"Burr Balls"—which our neighbors found at Sherman Camps, at Big Lyford Pond, in the Moosehead Lake region, and brought to us on their return from vacation there last summer. Their rarity and nature has been the cause for scientific research.

These balls are perfectly round, from one inch to four inches in diameter, and almost featherweight. They are brownish in color. The Lyford variety is apparently formed of crumpled, dead, tree and plant particles, and rounded by under-water wave action. Found usually just beneath the water surface, they are often washed up on shore, particularly if sandy. Inquiries by the *Moosehead Gazette* to all fifty *(Continued on page 61)*



Lake Champlain

of our states, brought the following information: 26 reported no such balls; 13 made no reply; and 11 reported their presence, even though their nature varied somewhat from the Maine specimen. In addition to Big Lyford, the same variety was found at Echo Lake, near Ashland, a small, remote lake, without road or trail for the last two miles to it. In New Hampshire, four-inch balls of the Maine variety have been found at Merrymeeting Bay. Those in Massachusetts run more to the saltwater variety, being of coarser material, largely composed of "widgeon grass" or other aquatic plant particles.

Many eminent scientists have examined and reported on these unique balls. It seems there are three main types: (1) those composed of algae, the lowest form of plant life; (2) those composed of water plants, and (3) those of the Lyford type, composed of vegetable substances, needles, and dead bark of coniferous trees. Water-rolled balls of dead salmon vertabrae have been reported from Alaska.

Among the eminent scientists who have examined and reported on the various types of "Burr Balls" are the following: Edward S. Deevey, of Yale's Department of Zoology; Russell P. Hunter, Extension Wildlife Specialist, University of Connecticut; Dr. Jesse F. Olovis, Assistant Professor of Biology, West Virginia University; Drs. Askell and Doris Love, University of Manitoba, and many others. For them it has been a most intriguing study.

More than a century ago, Henry D. Thoreau, in his famous "Walden" (the chapter on "The Ponds"—section dealing with Flint's or Sandy Pond, about a mile east of Walden Pond) wrote:

"There also I found, in considerable quantities, curious balls, composed apparently of fine grass or roots, of pipewort, perhaps, from half an inch to four inches in diameter, and perfectly spherical. These wash back and forth in shallow water on a sandy bottom, and are sometimes cast on shore."

A salt-water variety, reported by Lawrence B. White, of the Massachusetts Education Department of the Museum of Science, in Boston, states that "Burr Balls" found (*Continued on page 104*)

COLORFUL NEW ENGLAND #30

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MAINE'S LITTLE LOBSTER WAR!

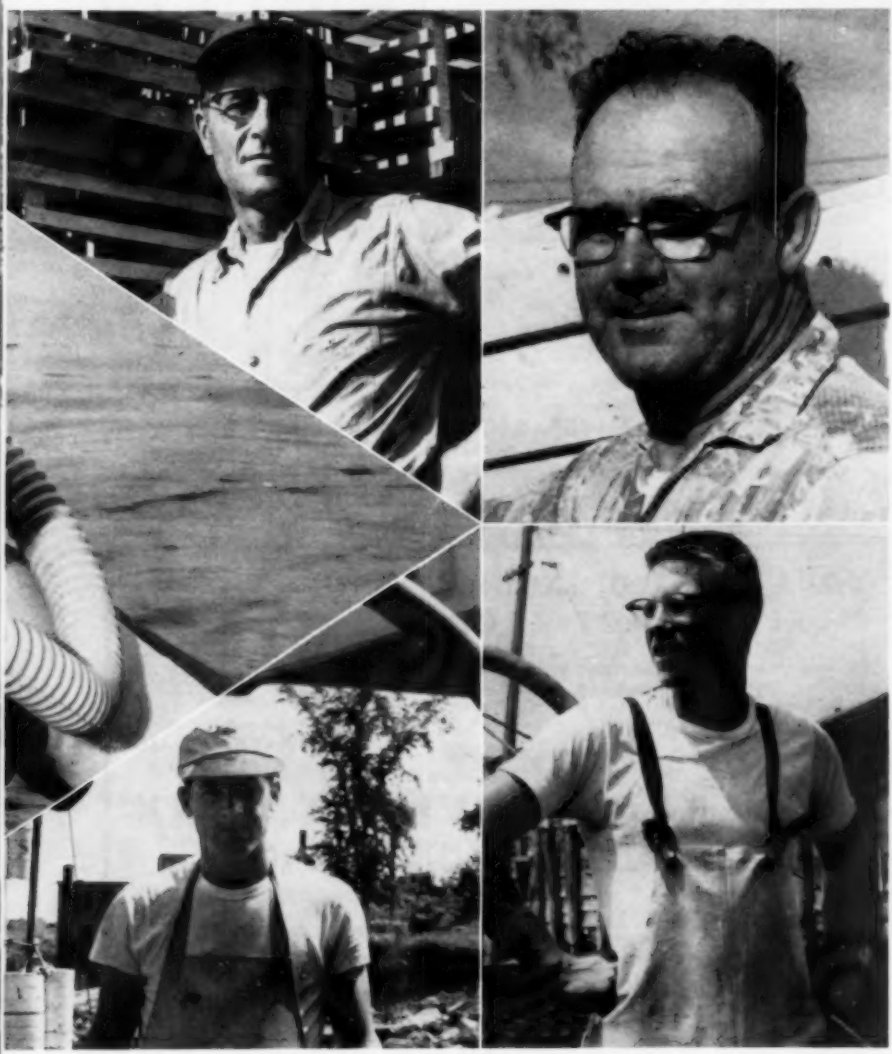
A Kittery diver: "Skindivers could be of great assistance to lobstermen if such hostilities as running them over with boats discontinued."

• Berlin and other world trouble spots are playing second fiddle in some coastal towns Down East. Folks have their hands full with a hot, little war all their own — lobstermen vs. skindivers! Maine's lobstermen don't like skindivers doing "for fun" what they do for a living. They maintain it's harmful to the industry. The skindivers are equally adament in saying that diving for lobsters would help the industry prosper and that, anyway, they don't take very many. Legally, the lobstermen have scored the victory. On the 16th of this month a law will become effective which prohibits catching lobsters in Maine waters by any methods other than the conventional traps or pots. But it will take a lot of sea water to cool the hot tempers on both sides!

by KEN WILLIAMS

Lobsterman Perley Whitney, Cape Porpoise: "I'm against 'em 100%. They can build traps and go lobster'n the way I do. After all, they don't let 'em spear bass up north. You have to pass a law to protect the majority."

Justin Foss, Vice Pres. of Maine Lobsterman's Association: "We watched 'em (skindivers) grow from 2 to 32—just around here in three years. You've got a 75 million dollar business—'bout time the State tended to it."



Norman Brazer, Ogunquit lobsterman: "Well, I've heard they go down and raid traps — don't think that's quite fair. Might be alright if they had put on a limit—but all in all, I'm glad they passed the law."

Wayne Perkins, Ogunquit: "I'm both. I dive and I'm a lobsterman. We haven't hurt the lobsters one little bit—at least in this area. If skindivers had used their heads, there never would have been any stink."

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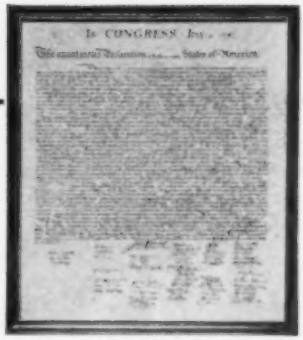

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• Someone asked me not long ago whether I found, in my rovings, that the old-fashioned kind of craftsmanship was disappearing from New England. Were the power tools, modern sewing machines, and assembly-line techniques in even small workshops taking the place of the meticulous hand craftsmanship of years ago? For my answer, I opened a couple of drawers in the always overflowing "Small Business & Crafts" filing cabinet and let my questioning friend leaf through some of the contributions, newspaper clippings, photographs, letters—in other words, the material which is forced to wait so patiently before appearing in this column. Not only is old-fashioned craftsmanship not disappearing, we agreed, but it seems to be increasing. Item after item concerns the revival of an old art, revival of old methods and the continuation of hobbies and crafts enjoyed by our great-great-grandparents.

During the inevitable philosophical discussion (in a nutshell: good) which followed our conclusion, we both noticed a clipping from the *Springfield* (Mass.) *Republican* of an article by Alice Scott Ross concerning Mrs. George Henry of Hampden, Massachusetts. Here was a perfect example of what we were talking about.

Ten years ago Mrs. Henry started working in ceramics—painting country scenes, figures, animals, etc. on tiles and mugs which she now fires in her own kiln. But this isn't all. Mrs. Henry is also participating in the revival of needle cone painting. The photograph at left shows her doing just that. Beads, little pieces of colored metals that shine, and the like are incorporated into the design with paper cones, exactly as in cake decorating, giving the finished product a three-dimensional effect. The "cone painting" part is used principally for outlining and for accentuating

by Damon Ripley YANKEE'S *Roving Reporter*

Ralph W. Nesser of Billerica, Mass., paid YANKEE *a call with his needlepoint work while Frances Chanahan of West Brattleboro, Vt., arrived in the company of flying angels!*

shadings. Ordinary brushes do the fill-in work.

In the attic, Mrs. Henry found a wealth of cone painting patterns once used by her grandmother. These are placed over the cloth to be used and rubbed with a stamping powder which sifts through the tiny perforations in the pattern. The result is a faint tracing of the design on the cloth. Infinite patience is a prerequisite to this operation — but then good craftsmen are well supplied with that commodity.

Art supply companies, Mrs. Henry found, are now carrying supplies for cone painting in a revival of interest in the art. Designs can be bought which are already imprinted on material and mounted on cardboard with numbers to indicate what colors go where. The new paints are plastic rather than oil. But Mrs. Henry is entranced with the old patterns—with their birds, flowers and Japanese or Spanish motifs. To her they present more of a challenge and produce a greater satisfaction. Basically, what more could be asked of a hobby?

►Had a couple of nice visitors—a Massachusetts man and a Vermont lady—drop in on us last month with samples of unusual craft work. Ralph W. Nesser of 29 Andover Road, Billerica, Massachusetts, showed us some exquisite needlepoint work, a sample of which you can see in the above photograph. Mr. Nesser ran a dry goods store in Billerica for eighteen years when, in 1954, doctors told him he must retire. He turned to needlepoint as a hobby and developed his own methods

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Our Vermont visitor brought a little Spirit of Christmas to us on a hot summer day. Frances Shannahan, Rt. 4, West Brattleboro, Vermont, was accompanied by gold and silver flying angels! They were anywhere from about 8½" high (her standard size) to the large one shown in the photograph (left). Mrs. Shannahan makes these, herself, out of gold and silver aluminum with costume jewelry wired on for additional decoration. On each angel's back is a candle holder. The candle's glow behind the angel's head then gives a beautiful halo effect.

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Son Larry MacKenzie, the manager, recently came up with another of his many schemes for ice cream promotion. A customer at the bar on his birthday, with records to prove it, is given a free serving. That notion won the idea-of-the-year prize of the National Association of Retail Ice Cream Manufacturers. Second only to Larry's interest in cows and cones is the breeding of Dalmatians (he is president of the local kennel club). Not long after he had claimed that 101 sorts of ice cream could be ordered at the bar, the Walt Disney movie, "101 Dalmatians," appeared. Though he cannot yet match dishes with dogs, his champion bitch, aptly named "Kiss Again," helps him try. This year she presented a litter of twelve pups of the fire engine or coach dog breed.

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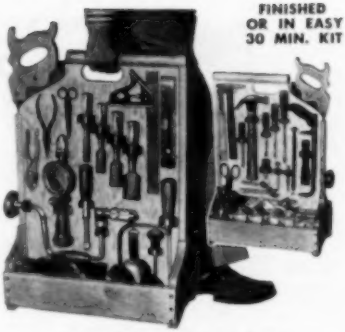

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Battle Hymn of the Republic

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marched alongside his men on the way to the front, he taught them the poem to the tune of the army's popular "John Brown Song."

The men were mighty fond of their "Singing Chaplain." He seemed to magnetize everyone with his buoyant personality, handsome appearance and deep baritone voice. At bloody Winchester, on June 16, 1863, Chaplain McCabe was captured by the Rebels. Typically, he had remained behind to tend the wounded after the Union Army had retreated.

He was sent to Libby Prison on the James River and there continued to teach the other prisoners the words to the "Battle Hymn." The days dragged by. The men were confined in one, large, overcrowded, poorly-heated room. In this environment, morale was at its lowest ebb.

One day, a rebel guard shouted them awake. "You Yankees done been beaten 'agin in a big tussle up No'th."

Another defeat! It was too much for the men to bear.

But a Negro slave named old Ben, who brought them food, whispered through the bars: "Tain't that way a-tall. De Union won de vic'try. G'wan to see de end of de war soon."

The broken scarecrow figures stood up as the news gradually sank in. Laughing, crying, embracing each other, they danced about the damp room. Hurrah for the Union. Hurrah, boys, hurrah!

Chaplain McCabe, tears streaming down his grimy cheeks, stood in the middle of the cell. Gazing heavenward, he began to sing in that great powerful voice:

O be swift, my soul, to answer Him!
be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on.

Slowly, the other men joined in. Louder and louder, voice after voice took up the refrain. The walls shook with their rapture:

Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

And the great victory they were singing of? Gettysburg.

Later, fever wracked Chaplain McCabe, and he was saved from a prison death through exchange. But McCabe still had a mission. He began to raise money for the chaplain fund by addressing large audiences in Washington, D. C. The highlight of the evening would occur when he would burst forth into the "Battle Hymn," making the huge halls shake with his fine voice. People were captivated by the song.

"Who is the author of this hymn?" they began to ask. And it spread like wildfire throughout the capitol and the nation.

At last Julia Ward Howe was winning some of the recognition long due her. She was asked to read the poem at the New York Century Club—a decided honor. Among the distinguished speakers were Emerson and Holmes. Also present was T. Buchanan Read, who, Julia observed, had "in his pocket his newly composed poem on 'Sheridan's Ride,' which he would gladly have read aloud had the committee found room for it on their programme."

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As we go marching on.

And the man who did more than anyone else to popularize the song continued to sing it. At a meeting of the Christian Commission held in the House of Representatives on February 2, 1864, Chaplain McCabe was one of the featured speakers. Suddenly, Mr. Lincoln entered the room. The crowd gave him a standing ovation until he was seated. Then Chaplain McCabe was introduced.

The Chaplain made his usual brief speech and then wound up by launching into the "Battle Hymn." The effect was spellbinding. That night he told his wife breathlessly what happened:

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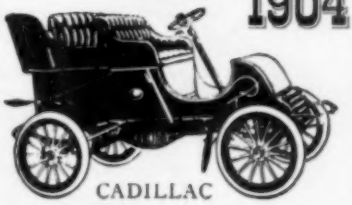

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Later, at a White House reception, Mr. Lincoln drew Chaplain McCabe aside. "Take it all in all, the song and the singing," proclaimed the president, "that was the best I ever heerd."

McCabe continued singing the "Battle Hymn" in later life. He once remarked, "I have sung it a thousand times . . . and shall continue to sing it as long as I live." He sang it at Lincoln's funeral in Springfield on May 3, 1865, after the war and it's great leader had passed on to glory. And later, when Chaplain McCabe died—the man who had popularized the Civil War's No. 1 marching song—it was sung as a tribute at his own funeral.

Julia Ward Howe, in her many lecture tours, was also asked to repeat the story of the writing of her famous poem. In her autobiography she wrote, "It would be impossible for me to say how many times I have been called upon to rehearse the circumstances under which I wrote the 'Battle Hymn of the Republic'."

At New Orleans, in 1885, she was serenaded by a group of colored women singing the song. At Baton Rouge, a Southern white band played the song in her honor. In Istanbul, Turkey, young school girls entertained her with the hymn. The song even became one of her last happy memories.

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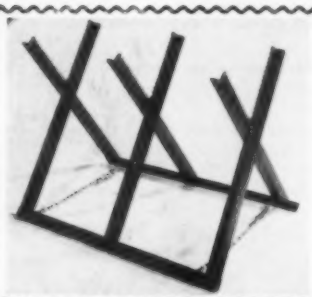

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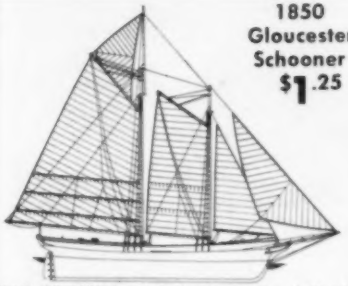

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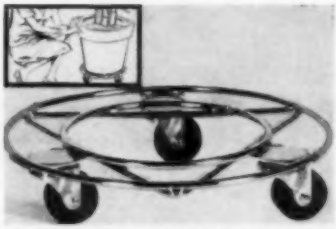

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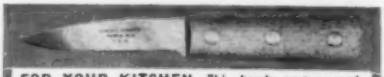

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• YANKEE'S "HAPPY WAY OF Life" series having been postponed for a month, we take it upon ourselves to nominate for a way of happy living the folks at Loring's Shanty in Wickford, Rhode Island. First of all, there's Virginia and Paule Loring, the owners; then there is Virginia's mother, Mrs. Craig; and there are also four regular happy helpers. Son Ronnie, a college sophomore, helps too when on vacations. Another son, Bruce, lives in North Carolina.

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Art classes in the summer are held out back. Gordon Harris is currently the instructor. Mr. Harris is one of Rhode Island's outstanding artists. We found both his paintings and Paule Loring's at the Cold Spring House, where we stayed. And Paule's lively cartoons decorate the Top of the Dock at the Marina House—an enchanting glassed-in upper deck of an excellent eating place at the town's Marina, where one can eat and/or sip and watch a spectacular array of boats come into berth,

The Top of the Dock Restaurant is shown right.

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buildings nearer the cove, or to the boat that waits at their dock, like a restive horse, for a hand to guide it into action. It was the one regret of our recent visit to Wickford that the sight-seeing trip by boat they proffered us didn't come off because of the too-heavy weather that morning.

Wickford is one of those few delightful places that doesn't change much in outward appearance. The huge Wickford Shipyard Marina is about the only difference we noted from when we were there some eight or ten years ago. But this seemed to add to rather than detract from the whole—boats being as picturesque as they are.

Surprisingly, this is a town with very

Mrs. Olive MacIver of Ye Carriage Shed holding platter made by Eleanor Place.

few shops. One shop that has recently come into being is Ye Carriage Shed at 29 Phillips Street. This is just a tiny building, and we'd like one of the ladies who runs it to tell you how it came about, in her own words:

"It all started in November (1960) when three of us 'girls' (I am sixty but the two other girls are in their thirties), decided that we ought to have a Christmas Sale of our ceramics which we had been making every Wednesday afternoon for the past three or four years.

"We were trying to think of a place to hold it when I mentioned that my son, who is a doctor and had recently purchased an old house on the main street for his office, had an old shed on his property that

perhaps we could have but I had only seen it from the outside and didn't know the condition it was in on the inside. . . . We made an appointment to meet at the shed the next morning. It wasn't very promising to look at because of the floor having several large holes but we had visions. . . . The next morning I went to the Town Hall and they gave me a permit to repair the building and open the gift shop. The next morning we met at the shed again with the other two girls' husbands (I am a widow) to see if they approved and to ask their advice. They said 'We think you're crazy but we'll go along with you and do the repair work.' . . . We had the place ready so that we could sell three days before Christmas."

And the shop is very much open, with the three "girls" working together to keep it supplied with products of their own hands. Eleanor Place was a ceramic teacher at the Quonset Naval Air Base. She teaches classes in ceramics and does firing for the students. Barbara Robinson is the seamstress of the three—she loves to sew anything—and she's got her husband involved, too, to the extent of making wooden things for the shop. Olive MacIver—whom we quoted above—says she's the "jill of all trades—ceramics, oil and watercolor painting, sewing, rug hooking, enameling, etc. . . ." She has been a painting student at Loring's Shanty for the past several years—even though she was already a full-fledged artist for many years prior to that.

The shop is still small and there are plans for "prettying it up," but what's a business without a lot of "unfinished business," say we?

At the Cold Spring House we noted one of the loveliest wrought iron gates we've ever seen, between the 1880 Room and the Wickford Room. Mrs. Records who, with her husband, keeps this inn, picked this up at the Wickford Auction Theatre, on Phillips Street, a place where one can find all sorts of "treasures and trash."

Another decorative feature at this quiet inn is the old-time iron cooking range, beautifully polished, that sits on a dais at one end of the dining room against a background of, what we'd call, "shocking purple." It makes a striking piece of décor in this Victorian-era building.

And so, reluctantly, we leave Wickford—but we'll go back!

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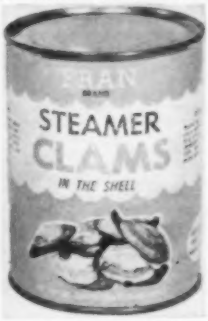

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Sampler Revival?: A free catalog from Jane Snead Samplers, P.O. Box 4909, Philadelphia 19, Penna., may well start you and friends on a cross-stitching bee this summer. Washington silhouettes, mottos, floral designs, the Lord's Prayer (both Protestant and Catholic versions), and the charming Pennsylvania Dutch Sampler which says, "To love and be loved is the greatest joy on earth," are just a few suggestions of what's available from Jane Snead for working samplers.

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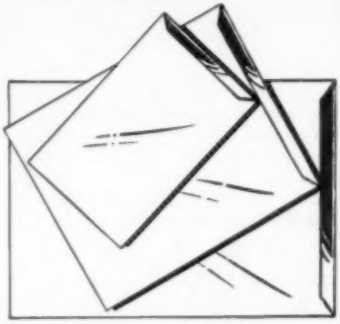

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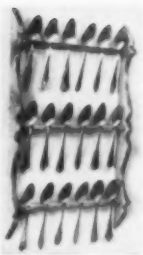

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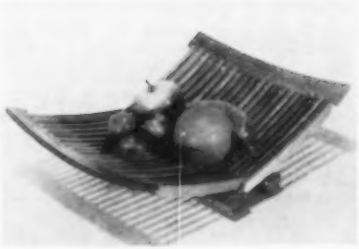

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On this Twentieth Century morning, such a log drive was moving along the Muskegon past a riverside farm, when the men were surprised to see a dignified little woman march to the water's edge and wave to them. It developed that she wanted to parley with the lumberjack cook. How the little lady happened to be waving at the lumberjack is explained by this month's winner, Mrs. Paul V. Bretz of St. Paul, Minnesota:

When her husband was about ten years old, she says, "the great lumbering industry of Michigan was beginning to wane, but there was some lumbering still being done along the Muskegon. During the operation of floating logs down the river to the mills there was always a cook shanty on a raft following the log drive, and it was a great treat for the boys to have a meal with the lumberjacks on this river raft. The meals generally consisted of fried salt pork, boiled potatoes, boiled beans, hot bread, cookies, and black strong coffee.

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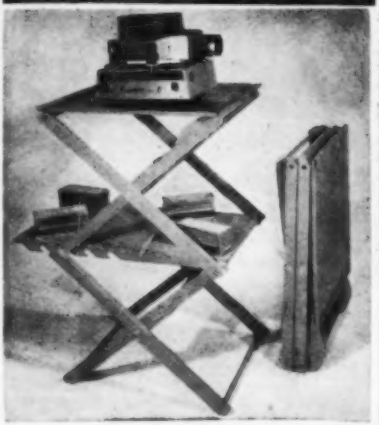

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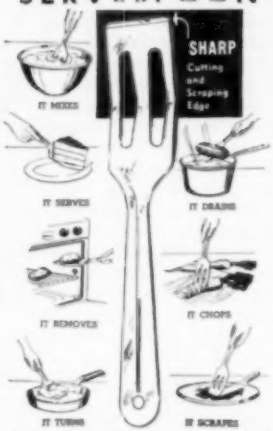

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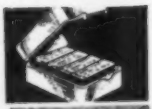

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at Crane's Beach, Ipswich, are similar to the characteristic fresh-water variety, but are made of coarser, heavier materials, due undoubtedly to the coarseness of the seaside flora. He had never seen these balls from fresh water but said the "Beach Porcupines"—balls of tightly packed twigs and grasses—are very common on Massachusetts' salt-water beaches.

The balls have numerous other names, depending upon where they are found; "Sea Balls," "Lake Balls," "Water-rolled Weed Balls," "Buffalo Balls," "Beach Balls," "Felted Footballs," "Water-Formed Vegetable Balls," "Detrius Balls," "Velvet Balls," and, in Japan, "Marimos" ("Ball of Fur").

Regarded now as "Useless oddities of nature," nevertheless ancient and modern history record the phenomenon as first noted in 1216 A.D. and, invariably, as "occurring infrequently." Also, there have been many uses recorded for these little balls. Galen and Aristotle reported that "their ashes were used as a cure for scrofula." The variety found in the Mediterranean is plentiful, and the balls are used in modern commercial manufacture of paper and mattresses. In Provence, in 1837, hunters used them for gun wadding. The November 1956 issue of *Natural History* magazine had an interesting article on these Mediterranean balls, which, during World War II, were used by soldiers as substitutes for clay pigeons for target practice, by throwing them into the water and shooting at them.

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Marimo lovers extracted so many balls from Lake Akan that the fad threatened their extinction. In 1947 The Education Ministry invoked an old law, proclaiming them a "National Treasure," and threatened molesters with fine or imprisonment. But the publicity only stimulated interest in Marimos and tourists paid smugglers as high as $50.00 for a contraband Marimo. Powerful sentiment for saving them received impetus when Emperor Hirohito refused to accept one as a gift. Public appeals for returning them to the lake finally spurred a "homecoming" in 1955, which was reported in *Time*.

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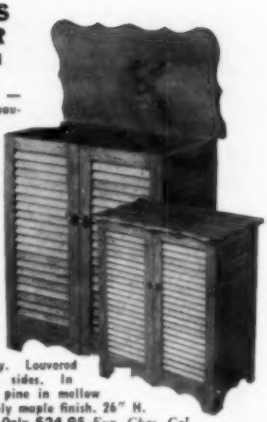

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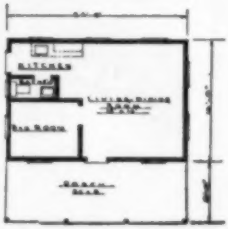

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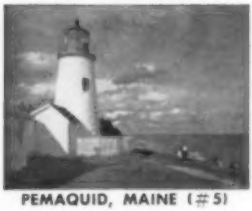

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When I was burning rubble and ruin
And hairy grasses to make more merry
My derelict blaze, I raked a bird.
It wasn't enough of a bird to bury.

It wasn't enough of a bird to bury.
Winds had torn it and weathers beaten
All flight out of what futile flesh
And feathers the cat had left uneaten.

Sweetly the fire ate the strange
And pitiful body claws had marred,
And gently singed the ragged fringe
Of what had flown here to be charred.

And in the fire that pains the eye
The thing grew shrunken. I had to weep.
It was too much of a bird to bury,
Too much to burn, too much to keep.

SERPENTINE

(to Marshall Van Deusen)
by NANCY ISAAC KURILOFF

Once, in a fabled age there were perhaps
such kingdoms of simplicity as swan
and swallow might perplex

with all their beauties and their craft.
And I should wish them well, that innocence,
with no regrets, and turn again

to build amidst a present artifice.
The world I labor in and I, bereft
of grace, are one within a state

older than any ancient fate; older
than innocence; older than memory
can endure. Upon our lakes the

swans glide still, and leaves enfold the swallow
on the bough. They are beyond all conquest
of the will. And yet, we have contrived

to sunder day from day; from stone the seed;
and we have built a house in which to dwell.

. . . AND SO THE ROSE

by GERTRUDE CLAYTOR

Watch how the darkness turns and flows
to blur the contour of the rose,
oblivion spreading like a wing,
a threat, a shape foreshadowing
a garden never touched by sun,
a silence and a time alone.
Make haste to use the gift of day,
the open path, the illumined way.
Be swift before the ghosts devour
the last wide bloom, the immaculate flower.

LATE THUNDER

by CARLETON DREWRY

Too late for lightning now, a curious cloud
Comes over the landscape, but a lashing rain
Is its only answer, blinding the windowpane.
Yet above its liquid din it grows more loud,

Growling from its throat with a vain voice of thunder.
But nothing listens. All have seen summer pass,
The flowers are falling softly through the grass,
Forgetting the sky, and seeding themselves under.

BALANCE

by IRENE MAGEE

Some beach is less now,
the order of things disturbed
and changed;
wind and waves
lash at a hollow spot;
a highlight of noon
divides on the bared sand.

A stone,
its chance place cancelled
by a curious hand,
now lies on wood—
weighing its grained shape
on a polished table,
fitting a new pattern—
bright with neither sun nor sea.

Some room is more now;
the perfect artifacts of man
diminish to craft alone.
With neither gold leaf nor bead
the stone is art,
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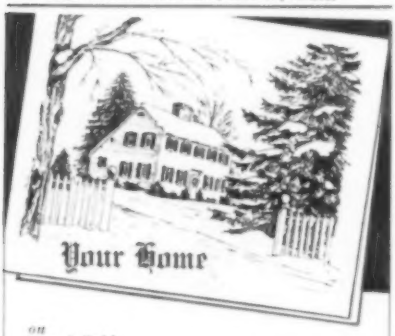

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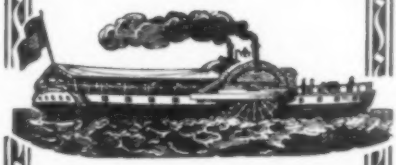

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